

of these things. Why do we have them? Let us put it in some social program.

Admittedly, some of the social programs have their genesis in very worthwhile projects, some of them probably do not. But it really amazes me that America today, most of us, the three of us here, those in this room, those people that are listening at this particular time, were able to raise our families, get our education, get to whatever professional thing we wanted to do, build our business, because we were all raised for the last 40 years with a nuclear sword over our heads. But we did that without firing the shot that everyone thought would be.

When I first came to Congress there was a survey done that said, 85 percent of the people in America felt there would be an exchange between the old Soviet Union and the United States by the turn of the century. Well, that did not happen, and it did not happen because Congress, America, basically, had the will and the wisdom to keep a strong core maintenance of people keeping this Nation free.

So a lot of us have gone on criticizing the government, doing what we do in our business, whatever we want to do, and you have done it because there has been a strong military presence in the world today.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Utah [Mr. HANSEN] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, are there any bad guys left out there that we need this for? Well, think about it. I also sit on the Committee on Intelligence. I am not saying anything that should not be said, but we all know there is a lot of bad guys still there. They may be bad guys, but they are not dumb guys, and they know very well what they could do to this country and would very likely like to do if they had the option to do it.

When we had our trips over to the Persian Gulf, does anyone think Saddam Hussein would not mind lobbying two or more in here? Do you think Kim Il-sung likes us any better? Do you think some of these other nations are our best friends? No, they are not.

You go to work every morning, you send your kids to school, you have the benefits and beauties and blessings of his country, and a lot of it is because we have fine young men and young women who have the courage to keep this Nation free. The least we can do for them is give them the right and adequate equipment, depots, airplanes, to keep this Nation free. We cannot let down on that promise. We would be betraying our oath of office if we did.

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman would yield, the gentleman makes an excellent point that the Cold War certainly is over. The Soviet Union is not a threat to us right now, although they may become a threat again. We do not know where it may be 10 years from now; it is in some uproar over there right now.

As Members of the Committee on National Security, we have been debating a very hot issue in our committee, and that is Bosnia. I bet if you took a vote among the three of us, I think all three of us would be voting the same way of having very grave doubts about whether or not we ought to ever send troops to Bosnia. Unfortunately, the President appears to be headed in that direction.

We have airplanes flying over there right now. We had one airplane shot down over there. That pilot I think took some resolve in the fact that he knew that his rescue team was going to be Americans flying in there in American-made equipment and American-maintained equipment. Those are the type of things that our military personnel right now rely on. They know that their equipment is maintained by the very best that America has to offer, and it always will be, as long as we maintain the depot structure in all of our military branches. But if we ever get outside of it, if we lose control of it, we will never get that control back again.

Let me just say that I thank both of you for participating in this tonight, and I think we are about to wind down, and as the gentleman from Utah said a little earlier, the three of us, and I would venture to say that most everybody in this body, intends to take this issue head-on with the Department of Defense and with the White House and we are going to win it. We are going to ensure that our depots are maintained and that our men and women that wear the uniforms in this country always have equipment that is maintained by military personnel in the best manner possible. Thank you very much.

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BUNN of Oregon). The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. NEAL].

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. NEAL] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. NEAL addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 40 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

□ 2300

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 115, FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

Mr. GOSS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104-326) on the resolution (H. Res. 257) providing for the consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 115) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DREIER). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for the week, on account of medical reasons.

Mrs. MYRICK (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today, on account of illness.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WISE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. DELAURO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WISE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. POMEROY, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HAYWORTH) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. TATE, for 5 minutes, on November 9.

Mrs. SEASTRAND, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHADEGG, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MCINTOSH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. EHRLICH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. METCALF, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KIM, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HAYWORTH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SCARBOROUGH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SMITH of Michigan, for 5 minutes each day, today and on November 8.

Mr. TORKILDSEN, for 5 minutes, on November 8.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes each day, today and on November 8.

Mr. ROHRABACHER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DORNAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WISE) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts.

Mr. TORRES.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

Mr. MATSUI.

Mr. MANTON.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida.

Mr. VISCLOSKY.

Mr. LIPINSKI.

Mr. PALLONE in two instances.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HAYWORTH) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

Mr. SANFORD.

Mr. SOLOMON.

Mr. DAVIS in two instances.

Mr. MANZULLO.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM.

Mr. SHUSTER.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HANSEN) and to include extraneous matter:)

Ms. MCCARTHY.

Mr. FORBES.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

Mr. ALLARD.

Mr. LATHAM.

Mr. RICHARDSON.

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey.

Mr. PALLONE.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1715. An act respecting, the relationship between workers' compensation benefits and the benefits available under the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act; and

H.R. 1905. An act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 457. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to update references in the classification of children for purposes of United States immigration laws.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 1 minute p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, November 8, 1995, at 11 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1614. A letter from the Director, Defense Finance and Accounting Service; transmitting notification that the Defense Finance and Accounting Service is initiating a cost comparison study of the DFAS vendor pay function supporting the Defense Commissary Agency [DeCA], pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 note; to the Committee on National Security.

1615. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's semiannual report on the activities and efforts relating to utilization of the private sector, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1827; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1616. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to Egypt for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 96-12), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

1617. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 96-2: Determination and Certification for Fiscal Year 1996 concerning Argentina's and Brazil's Ineligibility Under Section 102(a)(2) of the Arms Export Control Act, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2799aa-2; to the Committee on International Relations.

1618. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1619. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 96-1: Determination and Certification Concerning Brazil's Ineligibility Under Section 101 of the Arms Export Control Act, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2799aa(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

1620. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 96-3: Determination and Waiver of Argentina's and Brazil's Ineligibility Under Section 129(2)(C) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as Amended, to Receive Certain U.S. Nuclear Exports; to the Committee on International Relations.

1621. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB estimate of the amount of change in outlays or receipts, as the case may be, in each fiscal year through fiscal year 2000 resulting from passage of S. 1254, S. 227, and S. 268, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-582); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1622. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, Export-Import Bank, transmitting the Bank's 1994 annual report in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) Sec. 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1623. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Federal Employee Tax Reimbursement Act of 1995"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1624. A letter from the Executive Vice President, United States Institute of Peace, transmitting the 1994 annual report in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) Sec. 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1625. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the annual report on reasonably identifiable Federal and State expenditures for endangered species in fiscal year 1993, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1544; to the Committee on Resources.

1626. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Department of the Army, transmitting the Department's biennial report on the implementation of section 1135 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended, pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 2294 note; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1627. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the Director's concerns with respect to the House-passed budget reconciliation bill containing language allowing companies to remove pension assets freely and use this money for any purpose whatsoever; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1628. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report on data necessary to review and revise the Medicare Geographic practice cost index [GPCI], pursuant to Public Law 103-432, section 122(c) (108 Stat. 4409); jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. HYDE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 994. A bill to require the periodic review and automatic termination of Federal regulations; with an amendment (Rept. 104-284, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 1163. A bill to authorize the exchange of National Park Service land in the Fire Island National Seashore in the State of New York for land in the Village of Patchogue, Suffolk County, NY; with an amendment (Rept. 104-313). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. MCINNIS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 256. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (S. 395) to authorize and direct the Secretary of Energy to sell the Alaska Power Administration, and to authorize the export of Alaska North Slope crude oil and for other purposes (Rept. 104-314). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 657. A bill to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of three hydroelectric projects in the State of Arkansas (Rept. 104-315). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 680. A bill to extend the time for construction of certain FERC licensed hydro